



Biography

Richard Palmer is Non Executive Director at the Advanced Manufacturing Growth Centre Ltd (AMGC).

Richard was appointed to the board in November 2019, and brings strong leadership skills, governance expertise, and commercial acumen to AMGC's Board of Directors. Richard's financial expertise is the perfect complement to the existing team's experience in engineering, manufacturing and technology innovation.

The Industry Growth Centre Initiative is the centrepiece of the Australian Government's Industry Innovation and Competitiveness Agenda. There are six Growth Centres focused on where Australia excels. The Initiative enables national action on key issues by improving capabilities to engage with international markets and global supply chains, enhancing management and workforce skills, encouraging collaboration and the commercialisation of new products and identifying opportunities to reduce regulatory burden.

Today, Australian manufacturing employs close to 1.3 million people representing over 10% of the Australian workforce. It contributes over \$9 billion per month in exports of goods and services and files more patents than any other sector. It a vibrant and dynamic industry that is undergoing profound transformation with the introduction of Industry 4.0 technologies, automation and artificial intelligence.

Richard is Chairman of the business mentoring organisation The Executive Connection, which has a membership of more than 20,000 in 20 countries.

Richard has over 25 years' experience in senior executive roles in manufacturing, finance, software and other sectors.

Prior to joining AMGC, Richard was Managing Director of boutique private equity firm Redwood North. He was also Co-founder and Non Executive Director of life insurance and financial planning technology platform business Triplejump.

Richard's qualifications include a Bachelor of Laws, a Master of Business Administration, and membership of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

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